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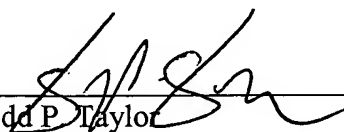
It has been approximately 18 months since the filing of the above-referenced patent application. Applicants hereby request notification of the status of the present patent application filed on November 14, 2003.

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